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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy for Materiel, OSA

SUBJECT: [REDACTED], 6 March 1969,  
Overhaul of Delta III S/N 5 Camera

REFERENCE: Memorandum to D/O/OSA and D/R&D/OSA  
from D/M/OSA dated 14 March 1969;  
Subject: Same as Above (IDEA 0252-69)

1. Once the IRIS II is qualified, it is planned to adopt this configuration as the prime sensor in the OSA inventory, therefore, the need for several Delta III Cameras in an operationally ready status is minimal. At present there are three qualified Delta IIIs; one at [REDACTED] one at [REDACTED] and one at [REDACTED]. This should be sufficient to take care of any special operational missions that should arise requiring the use of a combination of color and black and white film on any one sortie. It must also be realized that Customer Two relies heavily on the Delta III for operations from [REDACTED]

2. The cost to IRAN Delta III, S/N 5 can not be justified under the present circumstances although there is a slight risk involved should unexpected losses occur.

3. Scheduled delivery date for the first IRIS II to Customer Two is April 1969.

4. Weighing all the factors above, it is recommended that the proposal in referenced memorandum, paragraph 3B be pursued.

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